

FEBRUARY 17, 1829.

Read twice, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. GURLEY, from the Committee on the Public Lands, to which was referred the case of Josiah Barker, reported the following bill :

A BILL

For the relief of Josiah Barker, of Louisiana.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 Josiah Barker, of Louisiana, be, and he is hereby, confirmed
4 in his claim to one thousand six hundred and eighty-seven
5 arpents of land, commencing forty arpents from the river
6 Mississippi, in virtue of a grant issued to Madame Hindron,
7 by the Baron de Carondelet, in the year one thousand seven
8 hundred and ninety-five, said land to be located by extending
9 back the lines of the front tract until they shall include the
10 said number of arpents, and no more : *Provided*, That said
11 confirmation shall amount only to a relinquishment on the
12 part of the United States, and shall in no manner affect the
13 rights of third persons.